Environmental Approval to Pharmaceutical Industry

3559. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY Will thhe Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide for three years environmental approval to the pharmaceutical industry;

(b) if so, the details thereof: and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) to (c) The pharmaceutical industry represented to the Ministry of Environment and Forests that the consent to operate issued to them by the State Pollution Control Boards may be made valid for a period of three years or until there is any change in the industrial processes or treatment and disposal technologies, whichever is earlier. Action has been initiated to implement the suggestion.

Cases Registered under anti Pollution Acts

3560. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases registered under the various anti-pollution Acts during the last two years, Sate-wise: and

(b) the number of case wherein the courts have given their verdict in favour of and against the pollution control boards respectively, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) and (b) The State Pollution Control Boards are administering the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981. The details of number of cases registered and the verdicts given by the Courts in favour of or against the Pollution Control Boards under these Acts, from 1st Januhry, 1993 to 31st Januhry, 1995, State-wise are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of cases registered	No. of cases where the courts have given their verdicts	
			In favour of Board	Against the Board
1		3	4	5
1.	Assam	..	..	..
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	..	..	..
3.	Andhra Pradesh	..	1	..
4.	Bihar	16	4	2
5.	Goa	..	..	..
6.	Gujarat	197	93	212
7.	Haryana	144	30	6
8.	Himachal Pradesh	..	..	..
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	27	..	..